

been a few, but it is kind of interesting to hear these people talking about we need a terrorist bill by the end of the week, and yet they had their chance. For a year and a half we debated this, and most of them did not offer amendments. Just about all of them voted no. I have a copy of the vote list, it is kind of interesting, it is almost rollcall, from the people we have been hearing from.

We have to work on a bipartisan basis. We want to continue working with the President. We want to solve this problem. We owe it to the Tom Davises of the world.

MEDICARE AND MEDICAID HAS DRASTICALLY REDUCED THE POVERTY RATE FOR AMERICA'S SENIOR CITIZENS

(Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. In quick response, Mr. Speaker, to my colleague, the gentleman from Georgia, he knows who controls the rules on the floor. If we could have submitted amendments we probably would, but the Committee on Rules typically has closed rules, and the gentleman's colleague from Georgia prohibited them with his amendment, most of them.

What I am really here to talk about this week, we are celebrating the 31st anniversary of Medicare. We are looking back on a time that has seen drastic reductions in the number of seniors in poverty. As a result of Medicare, the poverty rate among America's senior citizens has dropped from 30 percent in 1966 to 12 percent in 1993. Before 1966 only 51 percent of American seniors had health insurance. Today, thanks to Medicare, 99 percent of America's seniors have health care.

This is a program that America needs, not only in 1965, but today and tomorrow. Contrary to sentiments expressed by my Republican colleagues, Medicare should not be allowed to wither on the vine or be limited to pay for tax cuts, or, as one of our former colleagues said, "I was there fighting the fight voting against Medicare, 1 out of 12, because we knew it would not work in 1965."

Celebrating Medicare's 31st birthday this week, we as Democrats are taking actions to ensure its success in the future.

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE FOR 1 MINUTE AND TO USE EXHIBIT

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House 1 minute and for use of this chart.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to rule XXX, I object to the gentleman's use of the exhibit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HEFLEY). This objection is not debatable.

Pursuant to rule XXX, the question is: Shall the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DOGGETT] be permitted to use the exhibit?

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 386, nays 28, answered "present" 2, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 374]

YEAS—386

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Baker (LA)
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Bartlett
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Borski
Boucher
Brewster
Browder
Brown (CA)
Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
Brownback
Bryan (TX)
Bunn
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Canady
Cardin
Castle
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Chambliss
Chenoweth
Christensen
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Conyers
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Cox
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Davis
de la Garza
DeFazio
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Diaz-Balart
Dickey
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Dixon
Doggett
Dooley
Doolittle
Dornan
Doyle
Dreier
Duncan
Dunn
Durbin
Edwards
Ehlers
Ehrlich
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English
Ensign
Eshoo
Evans
Farr
Fattah
Fawell
Fazio
Fields (LA)
Fields (TX)
Filner
Flanagan
Foglietta
Foley
Forbes
Fowler
Fox
Frank (MA)
Franks (CT)
Franks (NJ)
Frelinghuysen
Frisa
Frost
Funderburk
Furse
Gallegly
Ganske
Gejdenson
Gekas

Gephardt
Gibbons
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Gilman
Gonzalez
Goodlatte
Goodling
Gordon
Goss
Graham
Green (TX)
Greenwood
Gutierrez
Gutknecht
Hall (OH)
Hall (TX)
Hamilton
Hancock
Hansen
Harman
Hastings (FL)
Hastings (WA)
Hayes
Hayworth
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Hobson
Hoekstra
Holden
Horn
Hostettler
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Hoyer
Hutchinson
Hyde
Inglis
Istook
Jackson (IL)
Jackson-Lee
(TX)
Jacobs
Jefferson
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (SD)
Johnson, E. B.
Johnson, Sam
Johnston
Jones
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kasich
Kelly
Kennedy (MA)
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LaFalce
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Lewis (CA)
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Lowey
Lucas
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Owens
Oxley
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Pallone
Parker
Pastor
Paxon
Payne (NJ)
Payne (VA)
Pelosi
Peterson (FL)
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Petri
Pickett
Pomeroy
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Ramstad
Rangel
Reed
Regula
Rivers
Roberts
Roemer
Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Rose
Roukema
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Rush
Sabo
Salmon
Sanders
Sanford
Sawyer
Saxton
Scarborough
Schiff
Schroeder
Schumer
Scott
Seastrand
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Shaw
Shays
Shuster
Sisisky
Skaggs
Skeen
Skelton

Allard
Bentsen
Bryant (TN)
Bunning
Buyer
Collins (GA)
Combust
Deal
Everett
Ewing

Geren
Greene (UT)
Hastert
Hilleary
Lazio
Lewis (KY)
Lightfoot
McKeon
Molinari
Murtha

Ackerman
Callahan
Chapman
Collins (IL)
Collins (MI)
DeLauro

Flake
Ford
Gunderson
Hunter
Lincoln
Livingston

McDade
Richardson
Riggs
Roth
Young (FL)

Neumann
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Mr. BUYER, Ms. GREENE of Utah, and Mr. ALLARD changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. SPRATT, BALDACC, PORTMAN, and FLANAGAN changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the gentleman was permitted to use the exhibit in question.